Fees

Course fees for the Essex Human Rights Summer School are as follows:

- External participants £950 (£855 with early bird discount)
- University of Essex postgraduate students, staff and alumni £820 (£738 with early bird discount)

Bookings made before or on **Sunday 19 May 2019** will be eligible for a 10% early bird discount. (Please note that accommodation is not included in this fee)

Accommodation

Accommodation is available at our Colchester campus in en-suite single student bedrooms with shared kitchen facilities at £55 per night on a bed and breakfast basis. Accommodation is available for the duration of the summer school only.

To book accommodation, please go to https://kx.essex.ac.uk/BnB/ and type in the promotional code HRC2019 to ensure you receive the discounted rate applicable to Human Rights Summer School participants.

Further information

For further information on the Essex Human Rights Summer School, including details of how to book a place and terms and conditions, please visit **www.essex.ac.uk/hrc/summerschool** or email **hrcsummerschool@essex.ac.uk**



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ESSEX HUMAN RIGHTS SUMMER SCHOOL 2019

1 – 5 July 2019

A popular one-week programme offered by the Human Rights Centre at the University of Essex covering a range of qualitative and quantitative methods in human rights research.

The Essex Human Rights Summer School is an essential course for human rights professionals, researchers and postgraduate students. Now in its sixth consecutive year, the programme will run from 1 - 5 July 2019 at the Colchester campus.



Overview

The Human Rights Centre is delighted to announce the 2019 programme of its pioneering summer school on Human Rights Research Methods.

Methodological rigour is vital in making robust assertions about human rights. Now in its sixth year, our popular one-week programme on Human Rights Research Methods caters to this growing demand for greater attention to methodology in human rights research.

Taught by an international faculty of leading academics and practitioners, this year's Summer School will be held from 1-5 July 2019 at University of Essex's Colchester campus. It will cover a range of qualitative and quantitative methods in human rights research that are essential for human rights professionals, researchers and postgraduate students.

Learning Outcomes

In taking this course, participants will:

- Acquire a strong understanding of the key methods used in human rights research and the way in which they can be used on their own or in combination (mixed methods);
- Learn to design research projects with a strong methodology, including for grant applications and to have optimal impact on policy and practice;
- Attain a strong understanding of how to ensure that the research meets ethical standards including in NGOs without ethics committees;
- Gain a strong appreciation of qualitative interviewing techniques including issues involved with interviewing victims and affected communities and carrying out research on sensitive human rights topics;

- Learn how to interpret data gained through interviews;
- Become 'literate' in carrying out quantitative research and collecting, processing and using data;
- Understand how to do research in different countries and researching in closed and challenging societies;
- Learn how to design and carry out comparative country research;
- Learn about emerging methods such as experiments and the use of social media; and
- Understand how to measure the impact of policies and practices based on human rights

Teaching Faculty

The summer school will be taught by a combination of Essex and external human rights academics and practitioners. The team includes:

- Abbas Faiz, Independent Consultant, Former researcher at Amnesty International
- Dr Ahmed Shaheed, Human Rights Centre & School of Law, University of Essex. UN Special Rapporteur on the Freedom of Religion or Belief
- Barbora Cernusakova, PhD Candidate, University of Manchester & Researcher at Amnesty International
- Dr Carla Ferstman, Senior Lecturer, School of Law & Human Rights Centre, University of Essex, Former Director of REDRESS.
- Dr Carmel Williams, Independent Consultant, formerly Senior Research Officer at Human Rights, Big Data and Technology Project.
- Professor Clara Sandoval, Human Rights Centre, Director, Essex Transitional Justice Network, School of Law, University of Essex.
- Dr Cosette Creamer, Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Minnesota
- Dr Dominik Duell, Lecturer, Department of Government, University of Essex
- Professor Françoise Hampson, Emeritus Professor, School of Law & Human Rights Centre, University of Essex

Sessions

The following topics will be covered:

- Comparative Case Study
- Databases
- Documenting Harm and Claiming Reparations
- Experiments
- Focus Groups
- Global Compact: from Theory to Practice
 Human Rights Research in Countries Lacking
- the Rule of Law
- Indicators
- Interviewing Survivors of Torture

- Professor Geoff Gilbert, School of Law & Human Rights Centre, University of Essex
- Judith Bueno de Mesquita, School of Law & Deputy Director, Human Rights Centre Clinic.
- Professor Lorna McGregor, School of Law, Director Human Rights Centre & Co-Director, Human Rights, Big Data and Technology Project. Former Member, Equality and Human Rights Commission.
- Dr Nazila Ghanea, Associate Professor, Oxford University
- Dr Richard Carver, Senior Lecturer in Human Rights & Governance, Oxford Brookes
- Dr Lisa Handley, Visiting Research Academic, CENDEP, Oxford Brookes University
- Dr Roisin Ryan-Flood, Senior Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of Essex
- Sam Dubberley, Amnesty International and Member of the Human Rights, Big Data and Technology Project, University of Essex

- Monitoring Universal Periodic Review using Big Data Methodology
- Qualitative Analysis
- Qualitative Techniques and Data Practices
- Research Methods Overview: Qualitative vs Quantitative
- Single Case Study
- Statistics
- Surveys
- Use of Open Source Data
- Working with Defenders

"Human Rights methodology is something that's been very much unattended to...this summer school really closes a gap"

Professor Margaret Satterthwaite, Professor of Clinical Law, New York University

